

Part 1: National & International News

Q1. Consider the following statements regarding the 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) celebrated on June 21, 2026:

1. The official global theme for IDY 2026 is "Yoga for Healthy Ageing".
2. The theme aligns directly with the WHO Decade of Healthy Ageing (2021–2030).
3. The "Yoga Sangam" initiative was launched as a central portal to map simultaneous synchronized yoga sessions nationwide.

Which of the statements given above are correct? A) 1 and 2 only

- B) 2 and 3 only
C) 1 and 3 only
D) 1, 2, and 3

Answer: D

Explanation: All three statements are correct. The 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) was celebrated globally on June 21, 2026, with the theme "Yoga for Healthy Ageing", focusing on physical vitality and mental resilience in older adults. It aligns with the World Health Organization's (WHO) Decade of Healthy Ageing. The Ministry of Ayush utilized the Yoga Sangam Portal to coordinate synchronized nationwide sessions following the Common Yoga Protocol (CYP).

Q2. The Supreme Court of India recently ordered the immediate eviction of encroachers and demolition of illegal structures across which of the following protected ecological zones?

- A) Agasthyamalai Biosphere Reserve
B) Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve
C) Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve

D) Nokrek Biosphere Reserve

Answer: A

Explanation: In June 2026, the Supreme Court directed strict enforcement actions against illegal encroachments across the Agasthyamalai Biosphere Reserve (ABR), located at the southern tip of the Western Ghats along the Kerala–Tamil Nadu border. Included in UNESCO's World Network of Biosphere Reserves in 2016, it encompasses vital regions like the Kalakkad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve.

Q3. Five new non-permanent members were recently elected to the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for a two-year term beginning in January 2027. Which of the following organs is responsible for this election?

- A) UN Secretariat
B) UN General Assembly
C) International Court of Justice
D) Trusteeship Council

Answer: B

Explanation: The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) votes annually to elect five new non-permanent members to the UNSC for two-year terms. The elections held in June 2026 determined the next batch of members stepping in to maintain global geopolitical representation.

Q4. Which state has officially joined the National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA) initiative in June 2026 to make its legislative assembly completely paperless?

- A) Assam
B) Odisha
C) West Bengal
D) Bihar

Answer: C

Explanation: West Bengal officially integrated and rolled out its participation in the NeVA (National e-Vidhan Application) initiative in June 2026. This central project aims to transform all state legislatures into digital, paperless "E-Vidhan Sabhas".

Part 2: Economics & Banking

Q5. According to data monitoring household vulnerabilities up to 2026, what dangerous macroeconomic shift was highlighted regarding Indian household financial metrics?

- A) Net household financial savings climbed to an all-time high.
- B) Household debt escalated significantly, reaching over 41% of GDP.
- C) Out-of-pocket expenditure on healthcare dropped significantly.
- D) Retail inflation plunged below 1% leading to deflation.

Answer: B

Explanation: Economic analyses in mid-2026 pointed out that rising household debt hit approximately 41.3% of GDP, well above historical averages. Concurrently, net household financial savings eroded to historical lows due to credit-driven consumption and steep out-of-pocket allocations for healthcare and education.

Q6. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) recently modified its Green Deposit Framework. What is the primary purpose of this framework?

- A) Providing direct agriculture loans at 0% interest.
- B) Regulating commercial banks to raise dedicated public deposits exclusively for verified sustainable infrastructure.
- C) Standardizing plastic currency note printing.

D) Promoting commercial digital loans for the purchase of luxury electric vehicles only.

Answer: B

Explanation: The RBI's Green Deposit Framework is structurally designed to let commercial banking entities raise targeted green deposits from the public. These funds are explicitly ring-fenced to finance verified local green and sustainable infrastructure initiatives (renewable energy, clean transport, and climate mitigation).

Q7. Which organization defines the Indian "middle class" as households earning between ₹2 Lakh to ₹10 Lakh annually at 2001-02 baseline prices?

- A) NITI Aayog
- B) National Sample Survey Office (NSSO)
- C) National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER)
- D) Central Statistical Organisation (CSO)

Answer: C

Explanation: The National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) provides this widely cited operational baseline definition for evaluating the socio-economic trends, consumption vulnerability, and density of the Indian middle class.

Q8. In June 2026, the Central Government notified standard pack sizes specifically to curb price manipulation and enhance consumer transparency for which commodity?

- A) Edible Oils
- B) Pulses and Rice
- C) Chemical Fertilizers
- D) Infant Milk Formula

Answer: A

Explanation: The Ministry of Consumer Affairs notified standard packing size mandates for Edible Oils in June 2026. The intervention ensures fair trade practices and minimizes misleading packaging alternatives frequently hitting retail markets.

Part 3: Sports News

Q9. Which country registered its first-ever historical FIFA World Cup match victory by defeating Qatar 6-0 in June 2026?

- A) Canada
- B) United States
- C) Morocco
- D) New Zealand

Answer: A

Explanation: As co-hosts of the mega 2026 FIFA World Cup (alongside the US and Mexico), Team Canada recorded its first-ever tournament victory in history with an emphatic 6-0 scoreline against Qatar at Vancouver's BC Place.

Q10. The 10th edition of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup scheduled for June-July 2026 is being hosted by which country?

- A) India
- B) England
- C) Australia
- D) South Africa

Answer: B

Explanation: The ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 is being hosted across England and Wales from June 12 to July 5, 2026. This tournament marks the first time the competition has expanded to include 12 qualifying international teams.

Q11. Who among the following tennis players won the Men's Singles title at the French Open (Roland Garros) concluded in early June 2026?

- A) Carlos Alcaraz
- B) Alexander Zverev
- C) Jannik Sinner
- D) Novak Djokovic

Answer: B

Explanation: German tennis star Alexander Zverev clinched the 2026 Roland Garros Men's Singles championship following highly competitive final fixtures, marking a major milestone in his Grand Slam career.

Part 4: Appointments, Awards & Honors

Q12. Who has been appointed to lead the newly overhauled Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) leadership structure in June 2026?

- A) Neelkanth Mishra
- B) Subhash C. Kashyap
- C) Sanjay Kumar Verma
- D) Dr. Vineet Joshi

Answer: C

Explanation: Senior administrative overhauls led to a fresh leadership apparatus for CBSE to ensure smooth execution of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 assessment mandates.

Q13. The prestigious "Food Planet Prize 2026", which recognizes institutional breakthroughs in balancing global food security with ecological stability, was recently awarded to an initiative originating from which continent?

- A) Asia
- B) Europe
- C) South America
- D) Africa

Answer: A

Explanation: The Food Planet Prize 2026 honored a landmark community-scale sustainable agriculture paradigm in Asia, highlighting innovative scalable interventions against global climate-induced crop failures.

Q14. The National Awards for e-Governance 2026 recently recognized which portal under the Ministry of Health for exceptional digital transparency?

- A) BHAVYA Portal
- B) Common Landing Portal
- C) Centralised Patient Feedback System
- D) NamO Oxygen Tracker

Answer: C

Explanation: The Centralised Online Patient Feedback System bagged gold category recognition at the National e-Governance Awards 2026 for successfully optimizing public grievance logging across multi-specialty central healthcare institutions.

Part 5: Books, Authors & Anniversaries

Q15. The highly discussed non-fiction graphical commentary analyzing socio-political shifts in Western Asia, released in June 2026, was authored by which world-renowned graphic novelist?

- A) Marjane Satrapi
- B) Joe Sacco
- C) Art Spiegelman
- D) Alan Moore

Answer: A

Explanation: Prominent Franco-Iranian artist and author Marjane Satrapi released her latest conceptual graphic work in June 2026, drawing

immense critical praise for its poignant commentary on geopolitical memory and human rights.

Q16. June 2026 marks the birth anniversary of which legendary Indian social reformer and political thinker who conceptualized the "Total Revolution" (Sampoorna Kranti) movement?

- A) Jai Prakash Narayan
- B) Ram Manohar Lohia
- C) Acharya Vinoba Bhave
- D) Syama Prasad Mookerjee

Answer: A

Explanation: Events across the nation observed the legacy of Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narayan, whose philosophical framework on complete socio-political overhaul remains a staple for modern civil society studies.

Q17. Suman Kalyanpur, who was recently in the news during a national cultural retrospective honors event in June 2026, is famously associated with which field?

- A) Classical Dance
- B) Playback Singing
- C) Space Science
- D) War Journalism

Answer: B

Explanation: Legendary playback singer Suman Kalyanpur was honored during a milestone national retrospective acknowledging her immense multi-lingual vocal contributions across decades of Indian cinema.

Part 6: Defense News & MoUs

Q18. The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) recently sustained a scramjet combustor burn for over 12 minutes. This technological milestone is a direct

precursor to developing what type of indigenous systems?

- A) Hypersonic Cruise Missiles
- B) Diesel-Electric Submarines
- C) Anti-Satellite Lasers
- D) Stealth Drone Swarms

Answer: A

Explanation: DRDO's successful 12-minute sustained scramjet engine combustor burn represents an exceptional domestic technological breakthrough, paving the path toward fully indigenous hypersonic cruise missile execution capabilities.

Q19. To insulate domestic commercial aviation from volatile international fuel lines, the Union Cabinet in June 2026 approved a major policy package. What is it called?

- A) ₹10,000 Crore Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) Price Stabilization Mechanism
- B) Project Delta Sky
- C) SkyCast Aviation Framework
- D) Namu Fuel Corridors

Answer: A: Explanation: To secure airlines against wild pricing disruptions and safeguard transit affordability, the Cabinet greenlit a dedicated ₹10,000 Crore ATF Price Stabilization allocation structure in June 2026.

Q20. India and the United Kingdom recently operationalized a strategic bilateral entity to map supply chains for transition technologies. What is this entity called?

- A) India-UK Critical Minerals Global Supply Chain Observatory
- B) Project Ganga-Thames
- C) Anglo-Indo Green Debt Exchange
- D) Indo-British Lithium Alliance

Answer: A

Explanation: The joint observatory was formalized in mid-2026 to track mineral dependencies, processing bottlenecks, and secure alternative channels for minerals like Lithium, Cobalt, and Nickel essential for clean energy.

Part 7: Government Schemes & Initiatives

Q21. Consider the following statements regarding the "PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana" being expanded in 2026:

1. It provides direct capital subsidies to consumers for residential rooftop solar installations.
2. The program targets the complete elimination of electricity billing up to 300 units per month for participating households.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? A) 1 only

- B) 2 only
- C) Both 1 and 2
- D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer: C : Explanation: Both statements are correct. The scheme delivers substantial financial assistance to enable household solar shifts, generating up to 300 units of completely free electricity monthly while pumping surplus power back to regional grids.

Q22. The Ministry of Textiles recently approved 22 new core manufacturing entities under which flagships policy to elevate global export shares?

- A) Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Textiles
- B) SAMARTH Scheme 2.0



- C) Silk Samagra Project
D) Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (MITRA) Park Scheme

Answer: A : Explanation: In June 2026, the government expanded the Textile PLI footprint by onboarding 22 major corporate manufacturing units to scale indigenous high-value man-made fiber (MMF) fabrics and technical textiles production.

Q23. What is the core objective of the "Khet Bachao Abhiyan" launched nationwide by the Ministry of Agriculture in June 2026?

- A) Free distribution of tractors to marginal farmers.
B) Mitigating climate-induced ground-level ozone and pest degradation across fertile agricultural zones.
C) Converting all crop lands to commercial real estate.
D) Direct corporate acquisition of village cooperative fields.

Answer: B : Explanation: The Khet Bachao Abhiyan addresses emerging environmental stressors, specifically focusing on building climate resilience against ground-level ozone hotspots and rising temperatures affecting the Indo-Gangetic Plain's multi-crop cycles.

Q24. Under the expanded criteria of the "Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY" scheme reviewed in June 2026, what major demographic group receives free secondary/tertiary care up to ₹5 Lakh regardless of income?

- A) All senior citizens aged 70 years and above
B) All unorganized construction workers under 40
C) All primary school teachers in rural districts
D) All families with more than two daughters

Answer: A: Explanation: The Union government expanded Ayushman Bharat coverage to extend comprehensive health insurance shields of up to ₹5 Lakh uniformly to all senior citizens aged 70 and above, drastically easing elderly dependency anxieties.

Part 8: Art, Culture, Festivals & Important Days

Q25. The National High-Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL) introduced specialized "Slotted Vent" tunnel technologies for the Mumbai-Ahmedabad High-Speed Rail. This engineering feature is designed to reduce which phenomenon?

- A) Sonic Boom/Tunnel Boom
B) Soil liquefaction inside the Western Ghats
C) Base friction of train tracks
D) Solar thermal expansion of coaches

Answer: A : Explanation: As a bullet train enters a narrow tunnel at high speeds, it compresses air ahead of it creating a powerful pressure wave. When this wave exits the other side, it creates a loud "tunnel boom." The slotted vents let compressed air escape gradually, drastically dropping environmental acoustic noise.

Q26. The "Sowa-Rigpa" traditional medical system was heavily discussed during an AYUSH cultural preservation summit in Leh, Ladakh. Which autonomous body is directly tasked with its preservation?

- A) National Institute of Sowa-Rigpa (NISR)
B) Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine
C) Sowa-Rigpa Central University of Tibet
D) Himalayan Traditional Knowledge Grid

Answer: A: Explanation: Located at Leh, Ladakh, the NISR functions as an autonomous institute

under the Ministry of AYUSH, looking after the educational framework, research validation, and affordable integration of Sowa-Rigpa medicine.

Q27. What unique environmental challenge is threatening the "Nilgiri Tahr" (state animal of Tamil Nadu) population as highlighted in the wildlife tracking assessments of June 2026?

- A) Habitat fragmentation and severe ground-level ozone stress on high-altitude shola grasslands.
- B) Mass migration out of India to Western Asia.
- C) Severe industrial mining inside core national sanctuaries.
- D) Widespread tracking and hunting by deep-sea trawlers.

Answer: A : Explanation: Studies point out that global warming shifts and ground-level ozone spikes are creeping up higher altitudes, modifying the sensitive vegetation profiles of high-altitude shola grasslands that serve as the primary foraging ground for the endangered Nilgiri Tahr.

Q28. The ICAR-Indian Institute of Oilseeds Research (ICAR-IIOR), Hyderabad, recently made news for developing which climate-resilient agricultural marvel?

- A) Smart Seed Coating Technology
- B) Liquid Nitrogen Fertilizer crystals
- C) Self-Watering GM Mustard
- D) Plastic-free biodegradable multi-crop nets

Answer: A : Explanation: The Smart Seed Coating Technology shields emerging oilseed crops against early moisture stress and soil-borne pathogens, ensuring a significantly higher germination rate despite erratic monsoon patterns.

Q29. The "SAMADHAN DIDI" portal was launched to create legal awareness and facilitate redressal mechanism for women across formal and informal sectors. It directly strengthens the provisions of which landmark Act?

- A) Prevention of Sexual Harassment (PoSH) Act, 2013
- B) Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005
- C) Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961
- D) Maternity Benefit Amendment Act, 2017

Answer: A

Explanation: The portal makes PoSH provisions easily readable across 22 regional languages, offering an interactive digital reporting mechanism to verify that workplaces enforce a safe, harassment-free climate.

Q30. The "Mission Senehjori", which was in the news in June 2026, is dedicated to protecting and scaling the global market footprints of which geographic indicator (GI) protected heritage product?

- A) Assam Muga Silk
- B) Pashmina Shawls of Kashmir
- C) Pochampally Ikat
- D) Chanderi Fabric

Answer: : Explanation: Launched to support traditional sericulture weavers, Mission Senehjori directly upgrades the production ecosystem and prevents fake textile knockoffs from diluting the market value of the unique golden-hued Assam Muga Silk.